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Tickets on sale for 4 Bridges Arts Festival Kickoff Party

Tickets for "Art Patterns", Chattanooga's biggest Art Party of the Year are now available. Hosted by the Association of Visual Artists, the stylish event draws Chattanooga's ardent art patrons to have "first pick" from the Festival's artists' work Friday, April 21, at the Tennessee Pavilion.

Beginning at 8:00 p.m., piano jazz from Maxine Bartlett will fill the air as partygoers shop for art from the 150+ artists. Against a backdrop of silent movies projected on the tent ceiling, guests will enjoy a full dinner compliments of Carrabba's Italian Grill, an open bar featuring Big River beer, wine and coffee courtesy of Starbucks.

Patrons who donate \$1,100 or more will savor a private wine tasting at 7pm, by Riverside Wine and Spirits.

Dress is business casual, but the ambience is high style. Tickets are on sale now at www.4bridgesartsfestival.org for \$50.

The Patron Program

"The Patron Program is important because it ensures that AVA will be able to attract a variety of top-name local and national artists to the Festival every year," says Helen Davis Johnson, AVA's 4 Bridges Arts Festival Director. "The Patrons' commitment to spending a set amount prior to the Festival increases the chances these wonderful artists will continue to come back to Chattanooga every spring."

By committing to a \$1,100 Gift Certificate, patrons are guests for the Preview Party. For the Festival, Patrons receive \$1,000 in "Bridge Bucks" to buy the art pieces of their choice. They also receive a collectible, one-of-a-kind Patron Pin created by local artist Kem Alexander. During the Festival, Patrons are given the special opportunity to meet the artists, complimentary wine and cheese hospitality, recognition in the Festival Brochure, and a Blue Ribbon to present to their favorite artist.

For more information on the 4 Bridges Arts Festival or how to become a Patron, please visit www.4bridgesartsfestival.org or call Helen Davis Johnson at 423-304-7603.

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